Golf tourney slated

The Men's Golf Activities Committee of Falling River Country Club announces the first "Lefty-Righty" golf tournament, scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 13 and 14.

The tournament will be a team effort, with each team consisting of a left- and right-hand club member.

The register for the event is at the club. Tony Guthrie, committee chairman, urges men desiring to participate to register as soon as possible, indicating their choice of time of play, whether a left-or right-hand player, and preference of playing partner, if any.

If the quantity of right- or left-hand players is uneven, all members desiring to play will compete.

Boosters club to meet

The ACHS Athletic Boosters Club will hold its organizational meeting Monday, Aug. 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the Appomattox County High School library.

Every parent of every child is invited to attend.

It is the duty and responsibility of each parent to support his child's school and activities.

All parents and interested citizens are encouraged and invited to attend.

Girls' tryouts scheduled

Girls' varsity basketball team tryouts will be held Wednesday, Aug. 10 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Appomattox County High School gymnasium.

Girls in grades 9 through 12 are eligible to try out. Candidates for the team must have a physical examination form and an insurance release signed by their parents. Both sheets may be obtained at the high school.

Contact coach Mary Tolley at 248-5508 for additonal information, or if you cannot be present the first day of tryouts.

Tennis classic slated

The third Longwood-Southside Tennis Classic will be held September 1-4 at Longwood College. The 1983 tournament, unlike the previous tourneys, will be open with no restrictions on age or residency. Tennis enthusiasts from Virginia or out of state are eligible to participate.

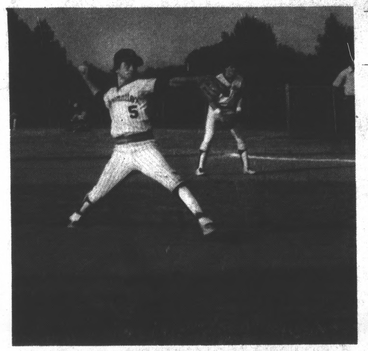
Entry deadline for the single elimination tournament is August 25 at 12 noon. Divisions will include: men's singles and doubles, women's singles and doubles and junior vet (men aged 35 and over) singles and doubles. Maximum entries for each division is 32 while the minimum number of entries is six.

Registration forms will be available August 1 at the following locations: Citizens Savings & Loan, Par-Bil's, Pairet's, Perini's and Llewellyn's. Forms will also be in the hands of the following individuals: Quintus Wade (Mecklenburg Co.), Tom Palmore (Lunenburg Co.), Jerry Cole (Nottoway), Jerry Yompin and Liz Carson (Amelia), Al Yoder (Charlotte Co.), and Gertrude White (Fluvanna).

Entry fees are $8 for singles and $5 for doubles ($10 per doubles team). Each participant is expected to provide one can of unopened balls which will be returned. Trophies will be awarded to winners and runner-ups in each division. Matches will be scheduled at specific times and a 15-minute default rule will apply. First round matches will begin after 5:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Sept. 1-2.

The tournament draw will be held Friday, August 26 at 2 in Lancer Hall. Times of first round matches will be published in the August 30 edition of area newspapers.

For more information, contact Longwood College 804-392-9323.



MIKE FERGUSON of the Appomattox Dixie Youth Pre-Majors All Stars winds up to deliver pitch in Tuesday night's game against Colonial Heights. See Story, page 1. (Photo by Allen Austin)

Softball team advances

Buckingham County's Mays Market and Upholstry softball team, sponsored by Robert Seay, has gained berths in both the state and world United States Slowpitch Softball tournaments with recent area tourney victories.

The team qualified for the state USSSA tournament with a victory in the Alleghany Invitational Class C tournament June 25 and June 26. The team had to play seven games in a row on the final day of the tournament to come from behind and take the title.

The world berth was achieved in the Class C Invitational at Buena Vista July 16 and 17. Team members also received a jacket for their efforts in the Buena Vista event.

The state tournament will be played the final weekend in August, and the world tournament will be played the following weekend. Both games will be played in Petersburg. Only eight teams from the state of Virginia have qualified for the world tournament.

Team members include Charles Taylor, Allen Shumaker, Buck Beard, Lee Beard, Ray Lamp, Scott Denby, Jimmy Bufford, Bucky Branch, Johnny Scruggs, Rudy Christian, Curtis Toney, Timmy Dunkum, Larry Morris, Reuben Perkins, Pat Shumaker, Coach David Lesueur and Coach Robert Seay. Scorekeepers are Dianne Noble and Mary Stearette.

In the Alleghany Invitational, Buck Beard was selected tournament valuable player and in the Buena Vista tournament, Bucky Branch was chosen as the Tournament's MVP.

Slots still open for cheering camp

There are still places remaining at the Cheerleaders Workshop to be held at Longwood College, Farmville, July 31 - Aug. 3. Jumps, pom-pom routines, new yells, partner stunts, crowd leadership, a variety show, and a giant pep rally are some of the activities planned. These workshops will feature the staff of Nation-Wide Cheerleaders Association under the direction of Ron and Jean Zucchelli, founders. Cheerleaders from several states will attend.

For information, call (412) 349-2017 or write to Nation-Wide Cheerleaders Association, 2719 Malloney Lane, Indiana, PA 15701.

Changes noted in local little league program

There have been some major changes in the local little league football program for the coming season, according to Dan Herncall, league spokesman.

For the first time, the Youth Association will provide all equipment, except the helmet, to all boys who need it, free of charge.

In addition, changes have been made in the weight limits. An additional five pounds has been added to the maximum weight for boys age 9, 11 and 13.

Several new teams have been added to the league, according to Herncall. This should help reduce travel costs and time.

The Youth Association wants every boy who wants to play football to have the opportunity to do so. That is why the association is providing the equipment and will do anything possible to help young athletes and their parents with any problems.

For additional information on the local little league football program, call Dan Herncall at 352-2164.

Football sign-up set

Registration for little league football and cheerleading in Appomattox will be held this Saturday, July 30, at the Hillcrest office of Central Fidelity Bank between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 noon.

Boys and girls, ages 7 to 13 are eligible to participate in these programs (ages are determined as of Aug. 1). Participants in the football program must submit a copy of their birth certificate if this is their first year of competition.

The appropriate registration form must be filled out and signed by a parent or guardian. The fee for both football players and cheerleaders is $10.00.

FOOTBALL REGISTRATION FORM

Name:_____

Age (as of Aug. 1st):_____ Approx. Weight_____

Address:_____

Date of Birth:_____ Phone:_____

I hereby give my permission for the above named boy or girl to play football in the program of the Appomattox County Youth Association.

RELEASE

For, and in consideration of my child being allowed to participate in the Appomattox Youth Association Program, I hereby release all coaches, officials, and the Appomattox Youth Association from any and all injuries which my child may sustain or receive while practicing in the above mentioned program, either during practice or actual games or going to and from said practice or games.

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PARENT OR GUARDIAN

CHEERLEADER REGISTRATION FORM

Name:_____

Age: (as of Aug. 1st) _____ Date of Birth_____

Address:_____ Phone_____

I hereby give my permission for the above named boy or girl to participate as a cheerleader in the program of the Appomattox County Youth Association.

RELEASE

For, and in consideration of my child being allowed to participate in the Appomattox Youth Association Program, I hereby release all coaches, officials, and the Appomattox Youth Association from any and all injuries which my child may sustain or receive while practicing in the above mentioned program, either during practice or actual games or going to and from said practice or games.

_____(SEAL)
PARENT OR GUARDIAN

Local band boosters meeting date changed

The meeting of the Appomattox County High School Band Boosters previously scheduled for August 1, 1983, will be held on Monday, August 8, 1983, at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at the high school. All parents of band members are urged to attend.

Band members who have not yet turned in their uniforms are requested to do so at once.

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State champs to play in World Series

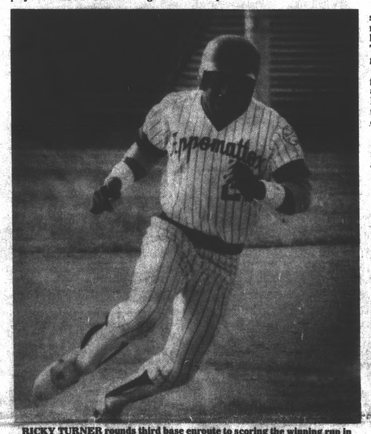
Local team takes crown

The Appomattox County Dixie Youth Pre-Majors All Star team was set to board a chartered bus headed for Alabama today, to represent the state of Virginia in the Dixie Youth League World Series.

The local team won the state crown last week by virtue of a 2-0 victory against Madison Heights in the semi-final round of the state playoffs and a 2-0 win against Colonial Heights in the finals of the tournament.

Colonial Heights was the only team to defeat Appomattox in the double-elimination tournament, taking an 8-3 win last Tuesday night.

In the 2-0 semifinal win against Madison Heights Wednesday night, Paul Johnson went the distance, striking out five enroute to a 6-hit victory.



RICKY TURNER rounds third base enroute to scoring the winning run in Thursday's state championship game against Colonial Heights. (Photo by Allen Austin)

Johnson and Russel Walton had a hit each, and Mike Jackson got two hits, including an RBI double in the first inning.

Johnson had started the inning with a single, and advanced to second base on a wild pitch.

Jackson then stroked a long double which rolled under the fence deep in center field of the Amherst County High School baseball field, scoring Johnson.

In the second inning, R. L. Waldo scored when Mike Ferguson got in a rundown between first and second base in an attempt to steal second. That ended the scoring for the game.

In Thursday night's championship game, Appomattox was pitted against a hard-hitting Colonial Heights team, which had dealt the local team an 8-3 loss two night earlier.

But in this contest, it was all Appomattox, with Ricky Turner recording two hits, and Mike Jackson, R.L. Waldo, Mike Ferguson and Terry McCoy each getting one hit.

Appomattox got on the scoreboard in the first inning, when Turner singled, then stole second base. Mike Jackson then doubled, driving in Turner.

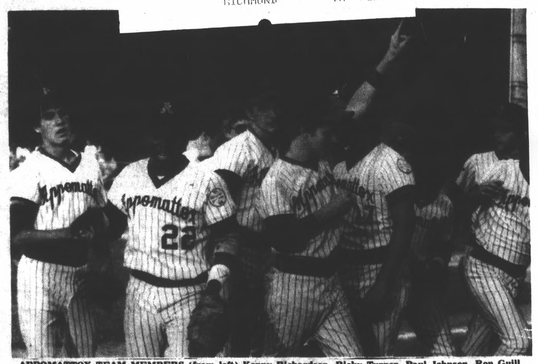
In the sixth inning, Russel Walton walked, then was driven in by an R. L. Waldo double.

Mike Jackson went 6 and a third innings, giving up three hits. Timmy Austin came in to relieve Jackson in the final inning with two men on and one out, and got the final two outs to record the win for Appomattox.

Defensive standout for the Appomattox all stars was Tony Mann, who had six put-outs in the game.

"Defense won the tournament for us in Madison Heights," noted coach Bob Hudson. "If our pitching and defense holds out in Alabama, we should do well down there."

The Appomattox team was slated to leave today (Thursday) and arrive in Mobile Ala. Friday morning. The first game is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday against Alabama. If Appomattox wins, they will play again at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, and if the local team loses, they will play at 1 p.m. in the second round of the double-elimination tournament.



APPOMATTOX TEAM MEMBERS (from left) Kenny Richardson, Ricky Turner, Paul Johnson, Ron Guill, Terry McCoy and Lonnie Hamlett rejoice after claiming the state championship. (Photo by Allen Austin)

There are 11 teams in the series: two teams from Alabama, the host team, and the state championship team; and teams from Georgia, South Carolina, Texas, Louisiana, North Carolina, Mississippi, Florida, Tennessee, and Virginia.

The team from Lufkin Tex., won the Dixie Youth League World Series last year. Madison Heights hosted the series in 1982.

Coach Bob Hudson said he would call the results of each game back to the **Times-Virginian**, the **Lynchburg News**, and Channel 13 following each round of play.

Local firm sets production record

Virginia Fibre Corporation set a new production record during the month of June, producing an average of 634 tons of semi-chemical corrugating medium per day. The old record was 632 tons per day.

The new record results from a variety of factors, according to W.S. Slagle, manager of environmental and public affairs for Virginia Fibre.

"All the components of production jelled" during the month of June, according to Slagle. "The integral parts of the operation, including the woodyard, pulping, power generation and paper-making processes, all came together to maximize production of the corrugating medium."

Slagle noted that a minimum of "down time -- when equipment is not operating due to maintenance work -- as well as a "great deal of luck" helped the company set the new production record.

The Virginia Fibre product, which is used in the center portion of cardboard boxes, is produced from hardwood timber which is undesirable for use as saw timber, Slagle notes.

Virginia Fibre sells most of its product in the eastern portion of the United States, particularly in the urban northeast.

It is the largest independent producer of corrugating medium in the United States, and the sixth largest producer of the product among all companies in the nation, according to the American Paper Institute.

"The name of the game in our industry is to maximize the number of tons we can produce," Slagle says. "We are constantly looking for ways to speed up production and or bottlenecks in the production process."

New hours set for license office

The Division of Motor Vehicles license office in Appomattox County will have new office hours beginning Aug. 8, according to Nelwyn Morris, DMV license agent.

The license agency will be open from 9 a.m. to noon, and from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office is located on Court Street.

Bryant 'can sell a pot without a bottom'

"He can sell a pot without a bottom," said Vernon Bryant with a laugh as he spoke of his son, William Bryant III of Lynchburg who is adding one more thing to his list of endeavors.

Bryant, owner of Force Five Capital, a multiple investment firm and a chain of five video speciality stores in Lynchburg, Roanoke and Richmond, has taken on movie making .... not the production end of it, but the fund raising necessary to get things going production wise. He is in the process of working to finance a major movie, tentatively called "Wilderness."

The production will get underway in January of next year withMichael Phillips, producer of "Sting" in charge of production. Directing the film will be John Frankenheimer, well known director of "The French Connection."

Although the location has not yet been determined, things are looking good for Lynchburg.

Frankenheimer was in Lynchburg last week looking around the Blackwater Creek area, and according to Bryant, "he liked what he saw and I think there's a strong possibility it will be shot in Lynchburg." It is Bryant's hope that Academy Award winner Richard Dreyfuss will play the male lead in the film.

Bryant, an Appomattox County native, and graduate of Appomattox County High School and Lynchburg College, believes that regional filmmaking will be the trend of the future.

"It is the financial centers who make the decisions about movie making. Movies get made by people who make the funds available," Bryant said in a telephone interview this week.

Bryant, known during his high school years as "Butch" is a former football player and hard worker. He doesn't mind tackling new projects, especially if he feels he can be successful at it.

I've been successful at raising money for real estate," said Bryant, "so I thought, why not take a stab at raising money for movie production, so I packed a bag and headed for the west coast.

"The market for movies is growing every day," added Bryant. "There are so many avenues demanding movies, in addition to the theater, there is network, the foreign market, syndication and many others."

It was a couple of low budget movies that first sent Bryant to Hollywood on a fund raising project. He was successful at it and decided to go into it on a larger scale."

Wilderness Partners was formed when Bryant and other investors from Washington and Texas, joined forces to finance the film. Bryant and his partners convinced Phillips they would have the adequate funding by Oct. 1 and Phillips in turn agreed to produce the film. To date $9 million has been raised for the $17 million project.

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Bryant, who lives in Lynchburg with his wife, the former Debra Marks of Madison Heights and young son, hopes that Lynchburg will be chosen for the location of the upcoming film.

August 10 is date for athletes

Students in Appomattox County who plan to try out for autumn sports in the school division must report to the high school on Aug. 10. Students in grades 8 through 12 are eligible to play junior varsity and varsity sports.

Sports offered this autumn in the county are varsity and junior varsity football and girls' basketball, and golf.

Those interested in playing golf should meet in the high school cafeteria at 10 a.m. Aug. 10. If you have questions regarding the golf team or cannot attend the initial meeting Aug. 10, call Doug Marshall at 352-8997.

Girls' varsity basketball practice will begin Aug. 10, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., at the high school gym. Jayvee basketball practice will begin at 10:30 a.m. at the high school gym. For additional information on varsity basketball contact Mary Tolley at 248-5508; for additional information on junior varsity basketball, call Bob Hudson at 352-2645. Physical forms and insurance release forms must be in before students can try out.

Varsity and junior varsity football practice begins at 8 a.m. Aug. 10 at the high school. For additional information on varsity football, contact Gary Cuccio at 352-8631 or 352-8435. For more information on junior varsity football, call Howard Clabough at 352-5593 or 352-7146.

Father Darkleaf

By CALVIN ROBINSON

A bit of cooling breeze Monday morning ushered in August. July went out in a heat wave, but marked mainly by extended lack of rain. One rumor had it that fish were using suntan lotion. Proud that Appomattox has a good water supply. Normally, August is a favorite vacation month and time for ingatherings from gardens. One kind of vacation no one likes is brought on by lay-off from work or loss of job, and a lot of that is going on over much of the nation. We are on the varge of "back to school" preparations, and maybe that will help. Takes a lot of doing to get everyone ready for school opening. Not just the students. One way or another it is a community activity. Ah yes, and I noticed that Bragg Stadium appears ready for the return of football. To get into the spirit, over the week-end TV had a baseball game and a pre-season football game going at the same time on different channels. I watched the football game!

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Moving scene... two very long trains rolling in opposite directions through Appomattox. One loaded with new automobiles. The other, empties going back for more coal. And a note that most of the railroad cars needed a paint job.

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Thanks to Mrs. Helen Gunter for bringing me a copy of The SUN NEWS, Myrtle Beach, S.C. Big Sunday paper, 146 pages. Especially noted the very large real estate section. And even had several columns under "help wanted."

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A neighbor, K.E. (Red) Coleman, had a clever gadget for catching Japanese beetles. Caught two quarts one afternoon and night. Got shed of 'em and captured another two quarts next day and night. It appears invasions of Japanese beetles come in cycles. Not many last year, but several years ago they had a convention in our area and did lot of damage. The gadget is called Japanese Beetle Trap and works on a special bait and looks like pipe tobacco but courser.

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Around town: Crape myrtle in bloom. I have one thus far and four more about ready.

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Checked with Bill Sperry about his recent tour of several European countries. Especially liked London, both for sight-seeing and the ultra friendliness of the people.

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Heavy reading . . . have been reading a life of Raphael, the famous sixteenth century painter. Sad part is that he died at the youthful age of thirty-seven. It is unfortunate that many lives are cut off before full achievement.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ray Noble had a trip by plane to the West Coast.

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Noticed lots of lightning bugs (educated fire-fly). Maybe they know what they are doing, but they look rather disorganized to me.

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Getting ready . . . Washington Redskins and Dallas Cowboys in opening pro football game Sept. 5.

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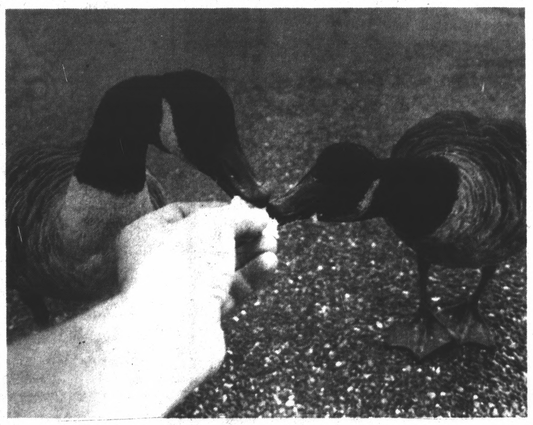

RESIDENTS OF THOMAS TERRACE had two unexpected visitors from the north last week, as a pair of Canada Geese dropped in to rest on the local pond. The birds, which are protected by federal law, expressed little fear when approaced by humans, and were more than willing to accept handouts of food. (Photo by Jeff Spitzer)